

Yaphank, L. I.,  
July 31, 1887.

My Dear May,

I have to thank you  
for the letter of Dr. Barrows,  
which, by your kind permission,  
I have added to my collection.  
The letters called forth by our  
pamphlet are indeed very  
sheering. They show that our  
work was well worth the doing,  
and that the nail was struck  
squarely on the head.

I have still left 8 of the  
10 copies sent me, and so have  
no need to draw upon yours.  
I shall keep my own surplus



for such calls as <sup>are</sup> ~~may~~ likely to  
be made in the future. I pre-  
sume that Frank J. G. sent copies  
to friends abroad (such as  
the Westons, &c.), and that  
you <sup>and he together</sup> supplied our friends in  
New England whose names  
were not upon my list.

The weather here, as in  
other places in the same lati-  
tude, has been very trying to  
the flesh. The moisture of the  
air has been phenomenal, in-  
so-much that nine out of ten  
of our matches would not  
ignite. The high temperature  
was greatly aggravated by this  
<sup>unusual</sup> humidity of the atmosphere. The



heated term, now 26 days old,  
still continues. We are praying  
for a change in time for our  
journey to Clifton Springs, which  
begins on Tuesday next. We go  
up the Hudson by day boat,  
thence by rail over the N.Y. Cen-  
tral. We have taken excursion  
tickets to Niagara Falls, and  
expect to look upon that won-  
der (my wife and daughter for  
the first time) on the return trip  
in September. All this if my  
health and God's good provi-  
dence in other respects shall  
permit. I have gained stead-  
ily since coming here, in spite  
of the extreme heat, and am



very hopeful of the future. I  
I know that my throat trouble  
is only alleviated, not cured,  
and I cannot be certain that  
the change of climate will  
prove favorable.

Mrs. Johnson and our  
daughter desire to be very warmly  
remembered to you and to  
Mrs May.

Ever gratefully yours,  
Oliver Johnson.